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STATISTICAL ROUNDUP

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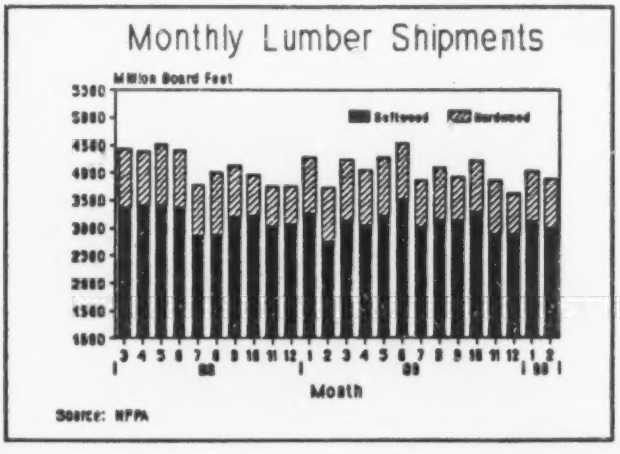
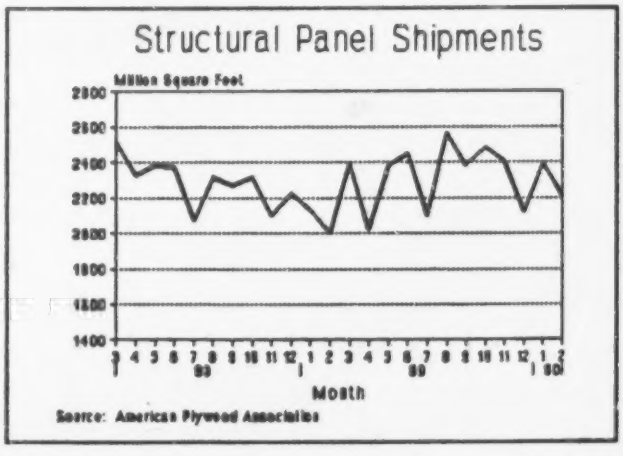
ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY PRODUCING REGION

	FEBRUARY, 1990			FEBRUARY 28, 1990		JANUARY REVISIONS		
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
	(Million Board Feet)					(Million Board Feet)		
SOFTWOOD LUMBER								
Southern Pine Region	1,006	1,006	976	689	2,039	1,065	1,075	1,161
West Coast Region	779	796	766	530	849	850	793	852
Inland Region	893	899	881	610	1,443	982	935	1,057
California Redwood Region	173	152	133	123	379	188	162	145
Other Softwoods	143	143	138	256	312	154	148	161
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	2,994	2,996	2,894	2,208	5,022	3,239	3,113	3,376
% Change - Jan. 1990	-7.6%	-3.8%	-14.3%	-4.4%	0.0%			
% Change - Feb. 1989	11.6%	8.6%	14.9%	-5.2%	3.1%			
TOTAL HARDWOODS	868	874	842	NA	NA	921	922	703
% Change - Jan. 1990	-5.8%	-5.1%	19.9%	NA	NA			
% Change - Feb. 1989	-9.9%	-9.9%	-16.9%	NA	NA			
TOTAL LUMBER	3,862	3,870	3,736	NA	NA	4,160	4,035	4,079
% Change - Jan. 1990	-7.2%	-4.1%	-8.4%	NA	NA			
% Change - Feb. 1989	5.9%	3.7%	5.8%	NA	NA			
FLOORING		(Thousand Feet)					(Thousand Feet)	
Oak Flooring (Bd. Ft.)	NA	16,051	NA	14,889	8,286		15,888	
Maple Flooring (Sq. Ft.)	1,060	843	1,255	6,184	2,903	1,213	1,045	1,458
STRUCTURAL PANELS (Sq. Ft.)	2,226,381	2,212,311	2,241,351	1,122,550	482,000	2,467,806	2,398,222	2,474,345
% Change - Jan. 1990	-9.8%	-7.8%	-9.4%	9.1%	20.2%			
% Change - Feb. 1989	11.4%	10.7%	23.0%	1.6%	10.6%			





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YEAR-TO-DATE INDICATORS

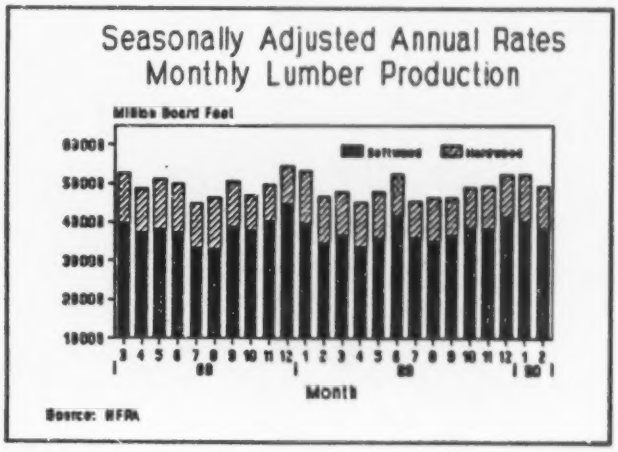
	PRODUCTION		SHIPMENTS		ORDERS RECEIVED	
	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change
	2 mo.'90	2 mo.'89	2 mo.'90	2 mo.'89	2 mo.'90	2 mo.'89
			(Million Board Feet)			
TOTAL LUMBER	8,022	1.7%	7,905	-1.3%	7,815	-2.2%
TOTAL SOFTWOOD	6,233	5.8%	6,109	1.5%	6,270	6.0%
TOTAL HARDWOOD	1,789	-10.6%	1,796	-9.8%	1,545	-25.5%
			(Million Square Feet)			
STRUCTURAL PANELS	4,694	12.3%	4,611	11.6%	4,716	18.3%

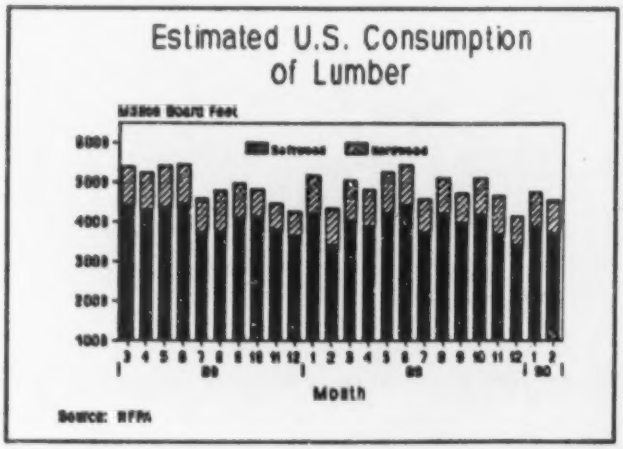
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

	PRODUCTION			SHIPMENTS		
		---% Change From--			---% Change From--	
LUMBER REGION	Feb. '90	Jan. '90	Feb. '89	Feb. '90	Jan. '90	Feb. '89
	(Million Board Feet)			(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine	12,983	-2.3%	5.7%	13,587	-3.3%	8.9%
West Coast	9,345	-8.0%	25.4%	10,490	3.6%	16.4%
Inland	12,281	-3.4%	9.6%	13,137	5.2%	6.0%
Calif. Redwood	2,117	-1.9%	3.6%	2,042	-0.8%	-12.1%
Other Softwoods	1,873	-2.2%	11.7%	1,985	2.7%	9.2%
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	38,599	-4.1%	11.4%	41,241	1.5%	8.4%
TOTAL HARDWOODS	10,691	-10.5%	-9.9%	10,576	-9.1%	-9.9%
TOTAL LUMBER	49,290	-5.5%	5.9%	51,817	-0.9%	4.1%

DOMESTIC LUMBER CONSUMPTION

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	----% Change From----		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	Feb. '90	Jan. '90	Feb. '89	2 mo.'90	2 mo.'89
		(Million Board Feet)			
Total Consumption	4,564	-3.9%	5.0%	9,316	-2.1%
Softwood Consumption	3,735	-3.8%	8.8%	7,615	-0.2%
Hardwood Consumption	830	-4.7%	-9.5%	1,700	-9.9%



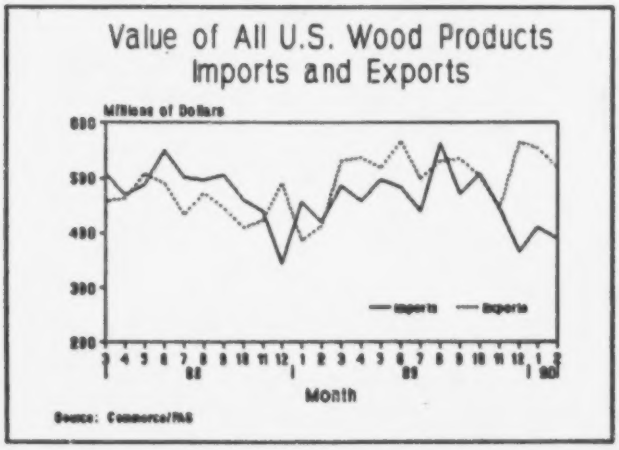


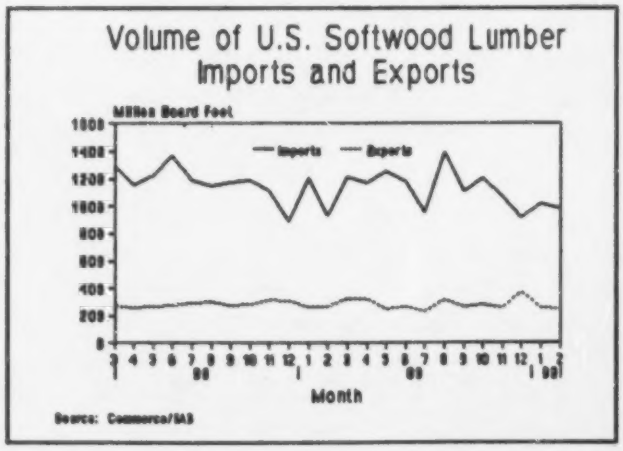
INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		Feb. '90	2 mo. 1990	% Change From Jan. '90	% Change From 2 mo. 1989	Feb. '90	2 mo. 1990	% Change From Jan. '90	% Change From 2 mo. 1989
EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	250.5	506.7	-2.2%	-4.2%	111,973	233,947	-8.2%	26.2%
To Canada	MMBF	42.0	94.4	-19.7%	18.2%	16,876	37,772	-19.2%	57.1%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	278.0	639.3	-23.0%	7.0%	144,569	330,126	-22.1%	25.0%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	226.6	373.4	54.4%	59.8%	46,124	75,219	58.5%	96.0%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	67.2	142.3	-10.4%	-9.5%	65,646	139,427	-11.0%	45.4%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	20.5	38.1	16.9%	-32.5%	24,905	47,770	8.9%	-1.7%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	117.0	254.1	-14.6%	NA	13,949	29,843	-12.2%	43.6%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	49.8	101.2	-3.2%	33.5%	4,093	8,405	-5.1%	15.0%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	16.9	32.4	8.3%	49.3%	5,355	10,457	5.0%	29.7%
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	12.5	22.6	23.5%	159.8%	4,725	8,425	27.7%	132.8%
ALL OTHER						96,250	186,945	6.1%	47.5%
TOTAL U.S. EXPORTS						518,306	1,071,743	-6.3%	33.9%
IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	989.0	2,013.1	-3.4%	-5.9%	208,322	424,198	-3.5%	-15.0%
From Canada	MMBF	987.4	2,006.1	-3.1%	-5.5%	206,245	419,831	-3.4%	-15.1%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	0.9	2.0	-24.1%	-71.7%	386	833	-13.8%	-65.1%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	3.7	6.9	12.3%	38.6%	1,318	2,611	1.9%	16.9%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	22.8	46.8	-4.8%	-11.1%	14,156	31,186	-16.9%	-8.1%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	0.9	2.0	-24.8%	-47.0%	890	2,088	-25.7%	-29.7%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	146.6	274.8	14.2%	NA	14,408	27,147	13.1%	-4.6%
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	187.8	385.0	-4.7%	-25.2%	37,834	80,696	-11.7%	17.8%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	68.1	106.7	76.3%	-20.8%	4,028	6,708	50.4%	-11.5%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	36.6	66.8	21.4%	-15.8%	7,596	15,938	-8.9%	-17.7%
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	3.2	5.0	86.1%	-52.4%	1,097	1,551	141.6%	-60.1%
OSB/WAFERBOARD	MMSF 3/8"	78.6	160.8	-4.3%	NA	6,415	15,147	-26.5%	NA
ALL OTHER						92,870	191,034	-5.4%	-8.8%
TOTAL U.S. IMPORTS						389,481	799,460	-5.0%	-9.0%

Notes: (1) Volume data may contain errors because of transition to the HS system of tariff classification. Commerce data reported in metric units under the HS are converted to U.S. standard units of measure for this table.
(2) Because of revisions made to data on hardwood lumber exports, year-to-year changes are not meaningful.
(3) Imports of other pine lumber for the period July 1989 - January 1990 were adjusted based on average per unit value of imports during the first six months of 1989. Hence, NFPA-reported softwood lumber imports vary from official government estimates.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, FAS.





U.S. EXPORTS TO MAJOR MARKETS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		Feb. '90	% Change From Jan. '90	YTD '90	% Change From YTD '89	Feb. '90	% Change From Jan. '90	YTD '90	% Change From YTD '89
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	32,278	3.2%	63,554	2.6%	23,717	-2.9%	48,134	66.8%
Softwood Logs	MBF	530	-71.2%	2,371	-4.5%	239	-68.8%	1,005	4.5%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	182,662	65.0%	293,354	45.9%	37,192	78.7%	57,999	80.7%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	19,142	-17.9%	42,445	-21.3%	21,958	-16.5%	48,241	26.3%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	6,612	21.0%	12,075	-52.2%	9,231	12.4%	17,442	-24.8%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	8,980	-6.6%	18,598	67.8%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	1,072	35.5%	1,864	493.3%	340	10.7%	647	317.4%
MDF	MSF 3/4"	2,303	1088.3%	2,497	72.5%	1008	983.9%	1,101	75.3%
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	9,640	642.7%	10,938	-35.8%	902	664.4%	1,020	-30.2%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	8,270	8.8%	15,871	-1.2%
Subtotal						111,837	13.9%	210,058	37.5%
PACIFIC RIM									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	120,422	5.8%	234,272	-5.9%	49,770	-2.2%	100,669	18.4%
Softwood Logs	MBF	252,563	-23.2%	581,303	8.8%	134,224	-22.3%	306,925	26.8%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	NA	NA	NA	NA	209	106.9%	310	-42.7%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	15,463	-18.1%	34,350	-34.2%	15,729	-15.0%	34,241	16.5%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	6,020	0.7%	11,996	-42.4%	7,273	-9.3%	15,296	-18.1%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	17,574	-24.5%	40,860	NA	2,182	-26.9%	5,166	-9.7%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	8,971	30.2%	15,862	31.5%	2,050	48.7%	3,429	13.7%
MDF	MSF 3/4"	8,004	-6.8%	16,589	178.3%	2580	-11.3%	5,490	126.8%
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	8,724	7.8%	16,816	-44.6%	632	-14.7%	1,373	-48.2%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	47,238	5.7%	91,922	43.9%
Subtotal						261,887	-13.5%	564,819	24.6%

Notes: (1) EEC countries include: Belgium & Luxembourg, Denmark, France, West Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, United Kingdom. PACIFIC RIM countries include: Australia, China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and Hong Kong.

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(3) Because of new HS classifications, certain year-to-year changes are not meaningful and, thus, are noted with an NA.

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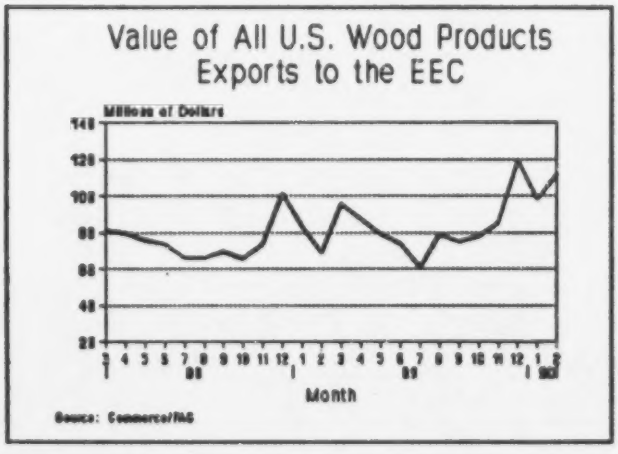

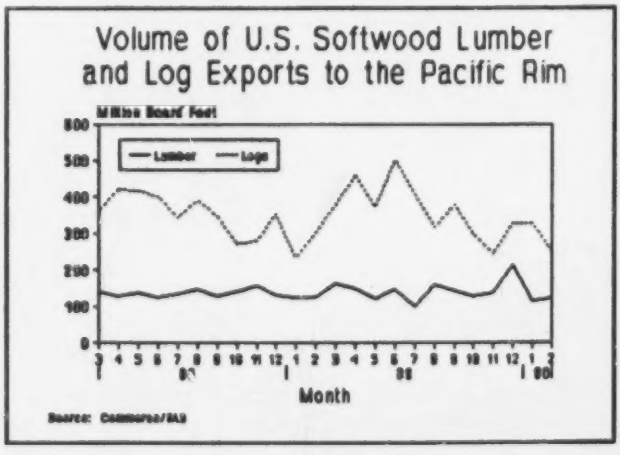

HOUSING STARTS

	Mar. '90	Feb. '90	Mar. '89	3 mo.'90	3 mo.'89
			(Thousands of Units)		
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
Total Private	108.5	84.6	117.8	292.3	-3.8%
New Private Starts:					
Seas. Adj. Annual Rate	1,321	1,457	1,405	NA	NA
Northeast	138	222	163	NA	NA
Midwest	283	222	301	NA	NA
South	524	592	547	NA	NA
West	376	378	394	NA	NA
Single-Family					
Proportion of Total	70.9%			74.4%	
	Feb. '90	Jan. '90	Feb. '89	2 mo.'90	2 mo.'89
Shipment of Mobile Homes	13,700	13,400	14,600	27,100	-9.4%

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

	Feb. '90	----% Change From--- Jan. '90	Feb. '89
	(Thousands of Employees)		
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally Adj.)			
All Industries	110,287	0.3%	2.4%
All Manufacturing Industries	19,541	1.0%	-0.5%
Lumber and Wood Products	765	-0.6%	-1.7%
Furniture and Fixtures	522	0.0%	-2.2%